

Good evening,

As we end this half term , I am able to update you on the intentions of teachers to strike again on 28th February. Currently I am informed all teachers intend to strike again and this will mean that the same process will be followed as the last strike day (1st February) where over half of schools closed or partially closed. A separate letter will be sent out regarding the strike. The final dates planned for strike action are 15th and 16th March so please be aware of these as possible dates for further disruption.

Thank you for being so understanding around the parents' evening cancellations. We have rearranged these for the first week back (27th February). The bookings will go live at 6pm tonight.

Have a safe and wonderful half term and we look forward to seeing you on Monday 27th February.
Best wishes

Will Sharpe

Key Information

Gates

Please use the correct gate for entering and leaving school. We know this can add a few minutes on for some people but this is for everyone's safety and the smooth flow of traffic. The signs clearly state which is the exit and which is the entrance.

School Spider

Our main source of communication to parents is via School Spider, it's the fastest way we can send any updates or urgent messages/information directly to everyone quickly. Please can you ensure you have access to School Spider or if you need any help setting it up or navigating it please contact the office. [Parents App Guide](#)

Parents Evening - Week commencing Monday 27th February

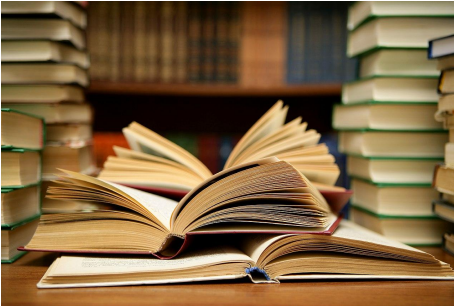
Monday 27th Feb - 3.45pm - 6.00pm	<u>Face to Face :</u> All Classes Reception - Year 6
Wednesday 1st March - 4.00pm - 6.00pm	<u>Face to Face :</u> Year One Class 2 & Reception Classes 1 & 2
	<u>Telephone :</u> Year 2 Classes 3 & 4 & Year 4 Class 7
Thursday 2nd March - 4.00pm - 6.00pm	<u>Telephone :</u> Year 1 Class 1 & 2, Year 4 Class 7, Year 5 Classes 9 & 10, Year 6 Classes 11 & 12
Tuesday 7th March - 4.00pm - 6.00pm	<u>Telephone :</u> Year 3 Classes 5 & 6, Year 4 Classes 8

Booking slots to close via school spider on the 24th February at 6pm

Drinks in school

Please can you ensure your child has water in their bottle. There are occasions where some children will only drink water with cordial and if this is the case then exceptions can be made. However, if your child brings energy drinks, carbonated drinks or other branded bottles, they will be given them back at the end of the day to take home. Children have access to water to fill up during the day.

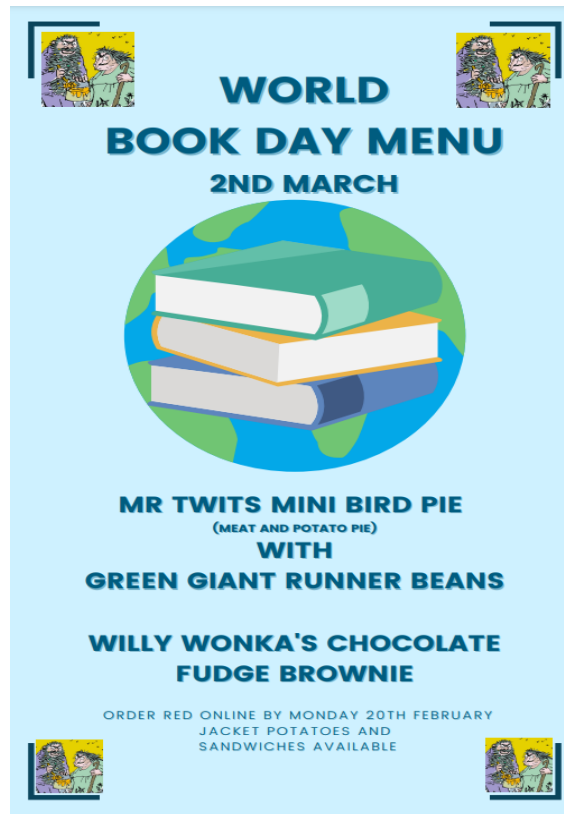
World Book Day Thursday 2nd March



World Book Day is on 2nd March and we will be celebrating it as we normally do where the children can come into school in their 'comfies' or a book character costume. They can also bring some of their favourite books into school if they wish to share with their friends.

World Book Day celebration lunch

To celebrate this year's World Book Day children can enjoy a special themed lunch on Thursday 2nd March - Please order by Monday 20th February.



School Uniform

Here at The Quinta we pride ourselves on how smart all our students present themselves everyday. As we approach half term we would like to politely remind parents to ensure the correct school uniform is used - no trainers with uniform, remember ties and correct PE kit.

Our school uniform can be purchased from DP Sportswear, please see contact details below. All items of uniform can be purchased from DP Sportswear not just our logoed uniform.

Address: 50 Bromley Road, Congleton, Cheshire CW12 1PT

Telephone: 01260 274400 **Email: sales@dpsportswear.co.uk**

The Quinta Bake Off

The SEND Team in school are organising a Quinta Bake off to help fund the Anxiety Workshop that we are running.

The children (and Parents) bake a cake or small cakes on a theme. We are asking for these to be in school on Monday 13th March with the 'Title' of your theme for your cake/small cakes on a piece of paper.

These will then be judged and a prize awarded to the children.

The cakes will then be sold off at the end of the school day on the 13th March in the area outside Class 9

Thank you in advance for your support Mrs K Bernard.

CAMHS Mental Health Worker Teams Meeting

Stephanie Danziger from CAMHS will be holding a Teams meeting about the role and work CAMHS does. This will be at 2pm on Tuesday 14th March and is open to any parents.

If you wish to join we will send you a Teams invite, please email -: kroberts@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk by Monday 6th March.

SWaNs Anxiety Parents Meeting

SWaNs our school counsellors are offering a face to face workshop on Anxiety including -:

ANXIETY AND AUTISM

1. Introduction - who we are, who you are and why we are here. How session will work ect (5 mins)
2. What is Anxiety (10 mins)
3. Recognising Anxiety (10 mins)
4. How anxiety can get out of control (10 mins)
5. Anxiety and autism (10mins)
6. Signs of anxiety in autistic children and teenagers (10 mins)
7. Ways to help autistic children recognise anxiety (10 mins)
8. Activities to help for you and for your children (10 mins)
9. Getting help with managing anxiety in autistic children and teenagers (10 mins)

Q & A and Group share (20 mins)

The workshop will be on a Tuesday or Wednesday morning session 9.15am in the school hall.

This is open to all parents not just SEND parents, if you wish to attend please email your interest to -: kroberts@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk by Thursday 2nd March stating your preferred day.

Year 6 Swimathon

Some of our year 6 are taking part in the annual Rotary Swimathon in March. This is a sponsored swim raising money for 2 great local charities. If you could spare any donations to support this and spur our

year 6 on it would be greatly appreciated. Please use the Just Giving link to donate:
<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/TheQuinta>



The Quinta Primary School

MAKE A SPLASH!

Swimathon 2023

Year 6 are taking part in a sponsored swim on March 10th to raise money for local charities:

- **Visyon** - a charity based in Congleton which supports the emotional health of children, young people and their families in Cheshire East.
- **North West Air Ambulance Service** - an organisation which brings "the hospital to the patient" and receives no funding from either the government nor the NHS.

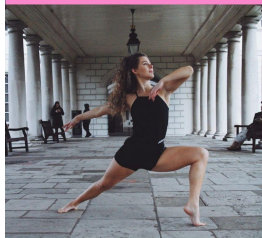
DONATE

Please support our Year 6 swimmers by donating!

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/TheQuinta>

Ballet Bunnies, Baby Ballett & Shape up with Sophie

Next terms dance classes available - please contact Sophie via email to book your child's space
sophiemoores37@gmail.com

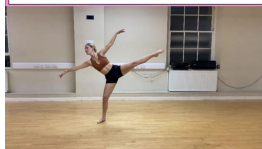


BALLET BUNNIES WITH SOPHIE

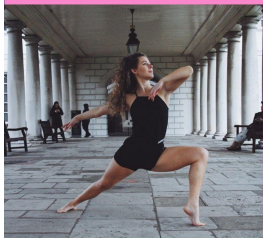
Ballet Bunnies with Sophie is a fun, creative and imaginative Ballet class for young children. The children will be introduced to basic Classical Ballet technique through imaginative, engaging and explorative themes. Moreover, together we will explore character work and quality of movement using playful music and physicality.

As a professional dancer I have trained in London for three years and graduated with a BA Honours in Contemporary Dance. I then went on to become a part of a professional Contemporary and Physical Theatre company called JYZ (Jasmin Yardmon Company) for a year. I now work as a freelance dance artist and teach a range of dance workshops, classes and intensives at institutions, schools and companies across the North West.

WHERE? The Quinta Primary School.
WHEN? 1st March - 29th March 2023, 15:20-16:20 every WEDNESDAY.
WHO? The club is open to YEARS 1, 2 & 3.
HOW MUCH? The five-week course is £25 per student (£5 per class). This payment will be made in full, upfront, for the duration of the full course. (In the circumstance of an absence, no refunds will be made) **SPACES ARE LIMITED!**



To secure your place and process your payment, or for further information, please email .

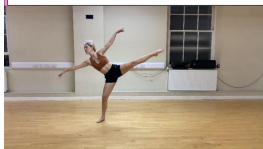


BABY BALLET WITH SOPHIE

Baby Ballet with Sophie is an inspiring, creative and imaginative Ballet class for young children. This class aims to introduce very young dancers to basic Classical Ballet technique using imaginative methods and ideas. The dancers will also explore creative skills, experience miming and acting, and replicate choreography.

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WHERE? The Quinta Primary School.
WHEN? 3rd March - 31st March 2023, 15:20-16:10 every FRIDAY.
WHO? The club is open to RECEPTION pupils.
HOW MUCH? The five-week course is £25 per student (£5 per class). This payment will be made in full, upfront, for the duration of the full course. (In the circumstance of an absence, no refunds will be made) **SPACES ARE LIMITED!**



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CONTEMPORARY DANCE CLASS

SHAPE UP WITH SOPHIE - RAMBERT GRADES

My primary dance classes will combine my own movement vocabulary, with the Rambert Grades syllabus, to give students an informative, engaging and creative guide through the Foundations of Contemporary Dance technique. Each class will include technical exercises, as well as imaginative and creative tasks, to enhance the dancer's technique, creative thinking and personal movement identity.

Rambert Grades is a brand new, fully credited, syllabus of Contemporary Dance, though which students have the opportunity to take dance examinations. Through attending these classes and working through the syllabus, students will have the opportunity to take credited examinations, however only when absolutely ready.

THE COURSE OF CLASSES OFFERS:

An introduction to the foundation of Contemporary dance technique.

Dancers will delve into different technical exercises, explore floorwork, and experience travelling and shifting their bodies through space.

The chance for dancers to **embody Rambert Grades repertoire and unique Contemporary dance choreography.**

The dancers will be led to enhance their performance skills, confidence and drive.

Creative exploration through choreographic tasks and improvisation.

My creative exploration allows the dancers to discover their own movement identity and their own unique style of movement. Moreover, enhancing their creative ability and imagination.

THE WORKSHOPS ARE OPEN TO YEARS 5 AND 6.

THE WEEKLY CLASS

WHEN? Every FRIDAY, 4:20-5:20pm (3rd March - 31st March 2023)

WHERE? The Quinta Primary School

HOW MUCH? £25 for the five-week course (£5 per class) No refunds will be made in the case of an absence.

WHO? Years 5 & 6 only.

To book your child's space for the six-week course, please contact me through:

Email:
sophiemoores37@gmail.com
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Safeguarding

- Mr Sharpe (headteacher) DSL - Designated Safeguard Lead
- Mrs Millward (Safeguard Lead)
- Mrs Bernard (assistant headteacher and Y4 class teacher) Deputy DSL
- Ms Stones (assistant headteacher and Y6 teacher) Deputy DSL
- Mrs Wootton (Y3 class teacher) Deputy DSL



Many children use TikTok and can spend a significant amount of time on the app.

There is a feature called 'Family Pairing' which offers caregivers ways of monitoring a child's usage.

The feature allows parents to link their TikTok account to their child's to enable a variety of content and privacy settings and can restrict content, set limits on daily screen time and monitor messaging.

Below is a link and this will give more information:

[TikTok Guardians Guide](#)

Local Safeguarding Services

Below contains details of contact details for local safeguarding services.



Local Safeguarding Services

- Everyday Excellence
- Authentic Care
- Independence
- Opportunity

Name	Information	Website	Telephone
<u>Cheshire East Consultation Service</u>	The Cheshire East Consultation Service is the 'front door' for access to services, support and advice for children and their families, from early help and support through to safeguarding and child protection.	https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/livewell/care-and-support-for-children/are-you-concerned-about-a-child/cheshire-east-consultation-service-checks/checks	0300 123 5012
<u>Live Well Cheshire East</u>	Live Well Cheshire East is an online directory of local health and wellbeing services.	www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/livewell	
<u>Operation Encompass</u>	Operation Encompass is a Police and education early information safeguarding partnership enabling schools to offer immediate support to children experiencing domestic abuse.	www.operationencompass.org	
<u>Cheshire East Family Information Service</u>	This service offers a free confidential and impartial information, advice and guidance service for families with children and young people aged 0-25.	www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/livewell/care-and-support-for-children/how-do-i-get-early-help-for-my-child/family-information-service/family-information-service	0300 123 5033
<u>My CWA</u>	My CWA are a charity based in Cheshire East who support families affected by domestic abuse.	www.mwcwa.org.uk	0300 123 5101
<u>Children's Centre</u>	Congleton and Holmes Chapel Children's Centre	www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/livewell/care-and-support-for-children/childrens-centres/congleton-and-holmes-chapel-childrens-centres/congleton-childrens-centre	01260 371 081
<u>Police</u>	A useful document to support staff in identifying when to notify the police.	https://www.npcc.police.uk/documents/Children%20and%20Young%20people/When%20to%20call%20the%20police%20guidance%20for%20schools%20and%20colleges.pdf	https://www.police.uk/pu/contact-the-police/ Emergency: 999 Non Emer: 101
<u>LADO (Local Authority Designated Officer)</u>	For crimes committed against children by staff or volunteers.	https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/livewell/care-and-support-for-children/are-you-concerned-about-a-child/cheshire-east-consultation-service-checks/safeguarding-unit.aspx	01270 885904

Reminders

Future SEND Meeting Dates

On Tuesday 14th March Stephanie Danziger, a mental health worker, from CAMHS will be hosting a meeting via Teams at 2pm.

Dates

[Click here for holiday dates](#)

17th February - Last day of term
8th May - Kings Coronation - Bank Holiday

The Quinta Senior Leadership Team			Who to contact
Member of staff	Position	What areas can they support me with?	How to contact/where they can be found
Mr W Sharpe	Headteacher	Escalation of concerns. Any safeguarding concerns.	head@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk
Mrs L Gratton	Assistant Headteacher	Issues or concerns relating to EYFS and KS1.	lgratton@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk Teaching in reception.
Ms S Stones	Assistant Headteacher	Issues or concerns relating to KS2. Any safeguarding concerns.	sstones@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk Teaching in Y6.
Mrs K Bernard	Assistant Headteacher	Issues pertaining to special educational needs. Any safeguarding concerns.	kbernard@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk Teaching in Y4.
Mrs S Hoyle	School Business Manager	Any issues pertaining to the school office, preschool booking.	sbm@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk In the school office.